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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

In re

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) Chapter 11
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TRONOX INCORPORATED, *et al.*,

) Case No. 09-10156 (ALG)
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Debtors.

) Jointly Administered
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TRONOX INCORPORATED, TRONOX
WORLDWIDE LLC f/k/a Kerr-McGee
Chemical Worldwide LLC, and TRONOX
LLC f/k/a Kerr-McGee Chemical LLC,

Plaintiffs,

v.

) Adversary Proceeding No. 09-01198 (ALG)
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ANADARKO PETROLEUM
CORPORATION and KERR-MCGEE
CORPORATION,

Defendants.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff- Intervenor,

v.

TRONOX, INC., TRONOX WORLDWIDE
LLC, TRONOX LLC, KERR-MCGEE
CORPORATION and ANADARKO

PETROLEUM CORPORATION,)
)
 Defendants.)
_____)

**PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO EXTEND ALL DEADLINES IN THE
CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER AND DEPOSITION PROTOCOL**

On July 9, 2010, Defendants Anadarko Petroleum Corporation and Kerr-McGee Corporation filed their Motion to Compel the Production of Documents by Plaintiff-Intervenor the United States of America (the "Motion to Compel"). (Dkt. No. 141) Absent a consensual resolution, the Motion to Compel is scheduled to be heard on September 16, 2010. In the Motion to Compel, Defendants contend that the United States' failure to produce documents "has impeded Defendants' ability to defend this litigation...." (Dkt. No. 145 at 4)

Defendants have served a total of 167 document requests on the United States, some of which seek documents over a 40-year period related to Tronox's environmental sites. (*See, e.g.*, Defs.' Request for Production to the United States 31-33, 35-39, 42-49, and 51) Not surprisingly, the United States is still producing documents in response to these requests and negotiating with Defendants to attempt to narrow the scope of their document requests.

As counsel for Defendants noted at the July 21, 2010 status conference, the current case management order is premised on the substantial completion of document production by March 31, 2010. Given that the United States is still producing documents, the Amended Case Management Order (Dkt. No. 115) is no longer workable. Plaintiffs are working with Defendants and the United States to reach an agreed-upon schedule that addresses the issues raised in the Motion to Compel as well as sets a new date for the completion of fact discovery. Although Plaintiffs remain optimistic that a deal can be reached, Plaintiffs cannot afford to wait before seeking relief from this Court. In addition to the fact discovery cutoff, Plaintiffs' expert

reports are also due on November 1, 2010. Because the parties cannot move forward with the depositions of key environmental witnesses and the deposition of the United States pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 30(b)(6) before the United States completes its document production, Plaintiffs' experts cannot finalize their analyses in time to meet the current deadline for expert reports.

To the extent an agreement cannot be reached between now and the August 10, 2010 hearing, Plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court extend the current fact discovery cutoff from November 1, 2010 to March 15, 2011 and extend all other dates in the Amended Case Management Order and the Deposition Protocol Stipulation and Order by four and a half months. Plaintiffs have attached a proposed order as Exhibit 1, which includes a Second Amended Case Management Order setting forth the new proposed dates. Plaintiffs also have attached a redline as Exhibit 2 to this Motion that shows the changes requested by Plaintiffs to the current case management order. If Plaintiffs' motion is granted and all dates in the Amended Case Management Order are extended by four and a half months, trial in this matter would commence on November 1, 2011 or as soon thereafter as the parties may be heard.

Dated: July 26, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Jeffrey J. Zeiger, hereby certify, under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, that on this 26th day of July 2010, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing to be served upon the parties listed below by overnight mail and/or e-mail as reflected below:

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